

## Who can participate in UCP's Children's Services?

A child who lives in one of the following UCP service counties:

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Any child with a disability is eligible to participate in Children's Services. While there is a fee to participate in some programs, no child is denied due to a family's inability to pay.



The Donna Newton Memorial Playground is open for family use.

To find out more about UCP of Land of Lincoln's Children's Services or volunteer opportunities, contact Bridget Gilliam, (217) 525-6522 or [jbglilliam@hotmail.com](mailto:jbglilliam@hotmail.com)



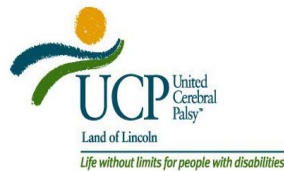
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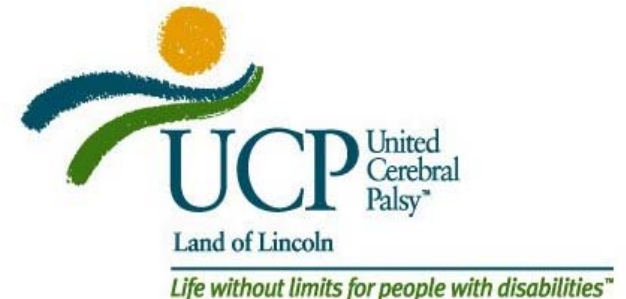
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To maximize independence and opportunities for full participation in the community for individuals with cerebral palsy or other disabilities, and their families, by raising the standard for quality programs, service and advocacy.



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# Children's Services



Thank you for your interest in Children's Services available at United Cerebral Palsy Land of Lincoln. UCP offers services to children—birth to 21 years old—who have all types of disabilities. We invite you to become a part of the UCP family.



## Play Group Birth—5 years

Play Group meets once-a-month, either at the UCP office or in the community, with activities designed especially for the small learner. This program offers social interaction for the whole family, including parents and siblings.

## Lekotek Birth—8 years

Lekotek encourages adapted play so that a child with a disability may learn basic skills that all children master at an early age. A child's social interaction is also expanded when parents, grandparents, siblings, and peers participate with the child in adapted play.

The Lekotek toy lending library has over 1,200 toys, books, and educational materials available for use.

## Assistive Technology

### Birth—21 years

Assistive Technology offers a child access to the world around him or her by adapting equipment or by using a traditional form of technology such as an adaptive switch.



Let our trained AT coordinator assist you in identifying what form of assistive technology can help your child.

## Respite Birth—21 years

Respite provides short-term care for a child with a disability in his or her own home. A staff person who provides care is well qualified with the training that UCP requires along with the orientation the parent provides.

While the child is receiving respite care, the parent is encouraged to go on an outing or even relax at home!

## Computer Loan

### 18 months—12 years

Computers, software and peripherals, including Touch Windows, Power Pads and IntelliKeys, are loaned to a family for a two-month period.



By participating in the computer loan program, a child has an opportunity for social interaction; and parents can experiment with the equipment before purchasing the sometimes costly piece.

## Camps

### 6 years—21 years

A camping experience offers socialization and confidence building for your child in a safe environment while you are afforded a time of respite.

Some camps are overnight, while others meet only during the day. A variety of camps are offered for children in a variety of age groups. Campers enjoy crafts, swimming, guest speakers, field trips, and songs.



UCP provides camping opportunities throughout the summer and winter months.

## Saddle Up! 3 years—21 years

Saddle Up! is a horseback riding program for a child with a disability. At Saddle Up!, a rider learns riding techniques in a therapeutic way.



The benefits to participating in Saddle Up! include increased balance, enhanced flexibility, a sense of caring for an animal and lots of smiles.

## Flings

### 14 years—21 years

Flings are an opportunity for youth with disabilities, fourteen to twenty-one years of age. Flings meet when school is out of session in the afternoon or evening.

They gather youth for a meal and a social as well as recreational activity.

